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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 21, 2006, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks for entry into the record and for the Examiner's consideration.

Amendments to the Specification are on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected on the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.